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Application No.: 10/059,156

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I hereby certify that each enclosed document listed on the herewith Form PTO-1449 was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign counter part application in the attached Japanese Communication (Office Action) issued July 15, 2003 i.e. not more than three months ago. See that communication for information on each document. An English translation of the Office Action is enclosed.

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In addition, the attached application identified in the attached Appendix is directed to related technical subject matter. The attached application corresponds to Japanese Patent Application No. 11-39814, a copy of which was supplied to the Patent Office in the IDS dated January 31, 2002. The identification of that U.S. Patent Application is not to be construed as a waiver of secrecy as to that application now or upon issuance of the present application as a patent. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited application and the art cited therein during examination.

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